

A lawyer was detained for 72 hours in a case of influence peddling and passive corruption. Searches also carried out at the Probation Office



This morning, the National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC) and the Anti-corruption Prosecutor's Office (APO) carried out searches at the office, residence and car of a lawyer, as well as at the Donduşeni Probation Office, as part of a case of influence peddling and passive corruption.

According to the case materials, the lawyer allegedly demanded money from the wife of a convict for the crime of domestic violence, whose sentence had been conditionally suspended. In exchange for the money, he allegedly promised that he could influence the employees of the Donduşeni Probation Office, so that the submission of the request regarding the replacement of the conditional suspension with the actual execution of the sentence would be postponed, since the convict did not appear for Probation.

Following the actions taken, the lawyer was detained, to be escorted to the NAC headquarters and placed in Detention Centre for 72 hours.

The criminal investigation was initiated based on reasonable suspicions regarding the commission of the crimes of passive corruption, provided for in art. 324 paragraph (3) of the Criminal Code, as well as the crime of influence peddling, provided for in art. 326 paragraph (1) and art. 326 paragraph (11) of the Criminal Code.

The criminal investigation continues to identify all persons involved and fully document the circumstances of the case.

Note: The person accused of committing a crime shall be presumed innocent until a final conviction is pronounced.